

Wages to Handloom Weavers

14. SRI P. M. BANGI (Jamakhandi).—Will the Minister for Industries and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of cotton, silk and wool active and idle Handlooms in the State (Districtwise and Talukwise figures be given),

(b) the number of master-weavers and the number of Handloom Weavers working under them (Districtwise and Talukwise figures may be given):

(c) the wages paid to the working handloom weavers on an average, per metre of cloth produced by each weaver (Districtwise and talukwise figures may be given),

(d) whether the wages are paid on daily basis or on the basis of the production of cloth?

SRI S. M. KRISHNA (Minister for Industries and Parliamentary Affairs).—

(a) There are 1,37,000 Handlooms in the State, Districtwise break-up is given in the Statement appended.

(b) Information not available.

(c) From 0-80 paise to Rs. 5 per metre on an average. Districtwise and Talukwise figures are not available.

(d) Usually on the basis of production of cloth. But in respect of preparatory processes like winding, spinning, twisting, warping, etc., wages are paid on daily basis.

STATEMENT

Statement showing Districtwise number of Handlooms and Powerlooms

Districts	Handlooms	Powerlooms
1. Bangalore ..	13,600	15,800
2. Kolar ..	1,747	100
3. Mysore ...	3,218	450
4. Mandya ...	2,500	25
5. Hassan ...	750	10
6. Chickmagalur ...	420	...
7. Shimoga ..	450	10
3. Chitradurga ...	4,176	50

1	2	3	4
9.	Tumkur ...	3,500	200
10.	Bellary ...	2,300	20
11.	Raichur ...	3,500	20
12.	Bidar ...	2,500	...
13.	Bijapur ...	32,000	3,000
14.	Belgaum ...	25,000	8,000
15.	Dharwar ...	18,729	450
16.	North Kanara ...	360	10
17.	South Kanara ...	5,000	15
18.	Coorg ...	250	...
19.	Gulbarga ...	17,000	100
Total ...		1,37,000	28,260

Hybrid Varalaxmi Cotton Seed

15. SRI S. KARIYAPPA (Kanakapura).—Will the Minister for Agriculture and Animal Husbandry be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of area of land shown with Hybrid Varalaxmi Cotton for seed purposes in the State during the year 1974-75;

(b) the number of persons who were distributed Varalaxmi seeds in the State in general and Kanakapura Taluk in particular during the year 1974-75;

(c) the rates at which the Government procured Varalaxmi seeds during the year 1973-74;

(d) the rates at which the growers were supplied with Varalaxmi seeds during the year 1973-74;

(e) whether any assurance was given by the Government regarding purchasing rates of Varalaxmi seeds produced by the Growers during the year 1974-75;

(f) whether all the seeds from all the producers have been purchased;

(g) if not the number of such growers;

(h) the rates at which the seeds are purchased from growers by the Government in the year 1975-76;

(i) whether the entire amount has been paid to all the seed growers of Varalaxmi cotton;